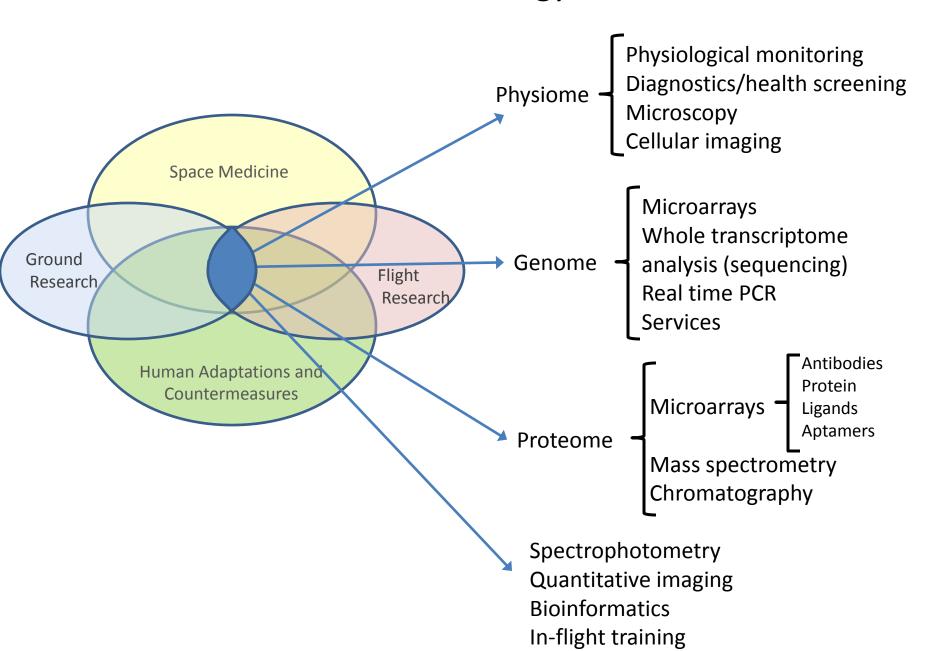
Potential technology needs



The general principle that guides much of our technology development is to integrate individual devices into small, flight-ready, reportable units. At the same time, we must increase capability while reducing mass, volume and power requirements. Figure 1 shows this concept graphically as related to cost and capability. This approach will lead to the greatest contribution to mission success.

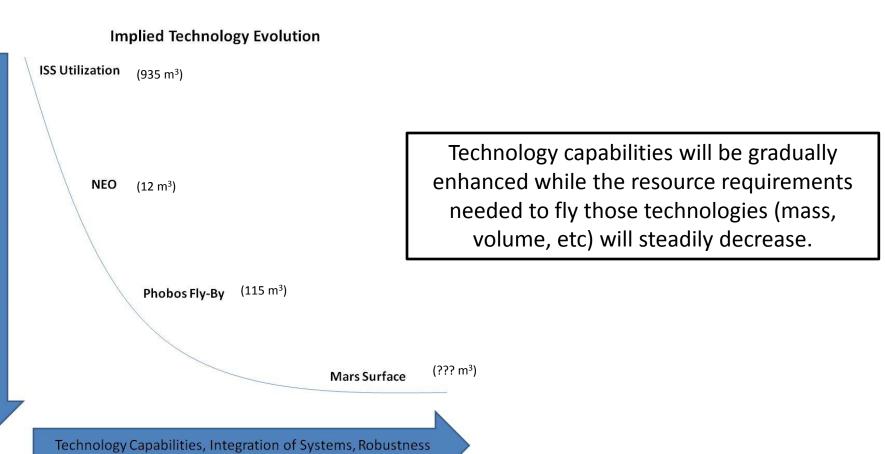
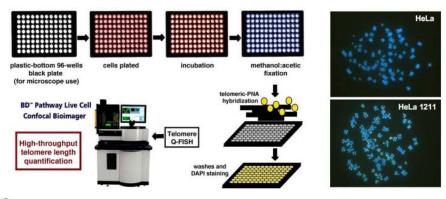


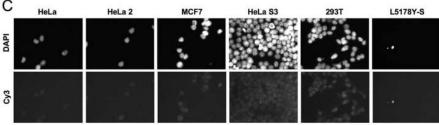
Figure 1.

Exploration class space travel beyond low Earth orbit will present numerous challenges to human physiology. The maintenance of Human health and performance will require research before and during these flights. Early development of enabling technologies will be required to keep the crew safe (countermeasure development).



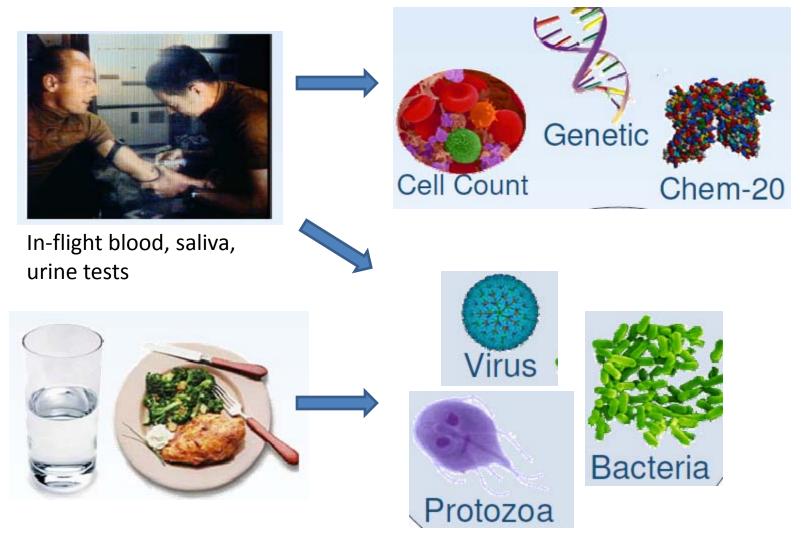


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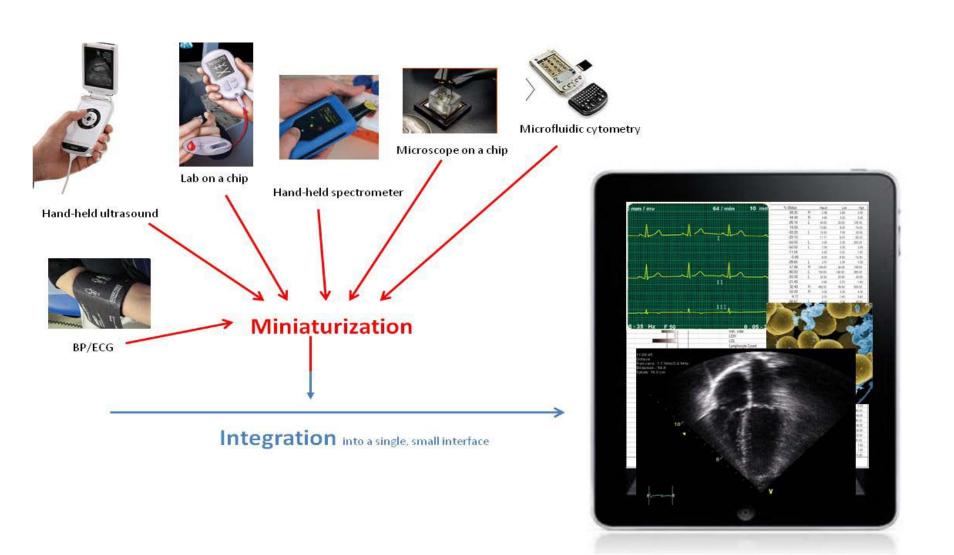


Applications of bioanalytical in-flight tests



In-flight environmental testing: Test water, food, air and surfaces

We will also have to conduct research in new, smaller vehicles (field lab, sample analysis). A number of these proposed technologies can be transitioned to medical practice once they have been fully validated (imaging, monitoring, artificial gravity) by the research community.

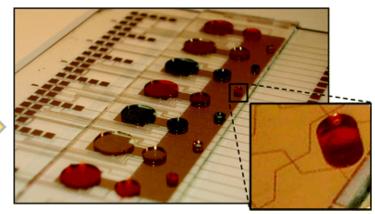




Cell culture models for research



Miniaturization"Microgravity friendly"



Lab Chip. 2010 Apr 15, A Wheeler device

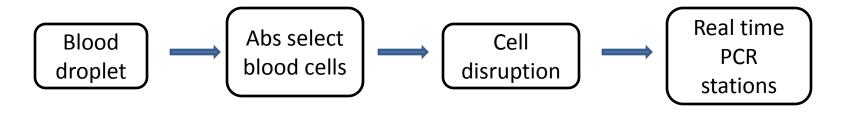


Conventional cell culture

Lab-on-chip Cell Culture

Ideally implementing all steps on a single device: mammalian cell culture-cell seeding, growth, detachment, re-seeding on a fresh surface and sample collection

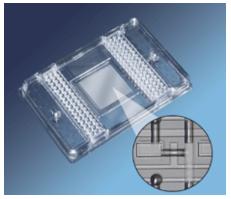
Lab-on-Chip PCR technologies to explore

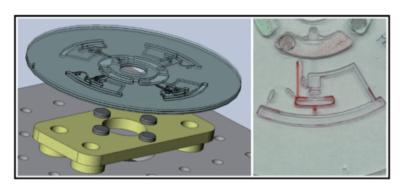


All stations on the same chip, from <25 ul blood, whole process: <15 minutes

Examples







Lab Chip, 2010, 10, 363 – 371, Siegrist et al device

Fluidigm's Digital PCR (dPCR)

Various emerging LOC-PCR systems

Other cross cutting technologies will provide significant value to other discipline teams (rapid prototyping/manufacturing, 3-D immersive training) and provide excellent platforms for collaborative development.



